



FLTCA 2021 Amendments to On Site Requirements for Registered Dietitians

Regulation Section 80

Licensee of the home must ensure staff RD is on site at the home for a minimum of 30 minutes per resident per month.

January 1st, 2025

NEW EXCEPTION:

If the Registered Dietitian cannot be on site, this process can be followed:

Mandatory Back Up Plan

- Establish written back up plan for when staff RD is not able to be onsite

If Back Up Plan Cannot Ensure On Site Coverage

- RD to provide virtual clinical nutrition care
- Telephone/video conferencing

Regulated Health Professional Collaboration

- Licensee to determine if on site RHP is required to collaborate with virtual RD
- Can also be other staff (i.e. Nutrition Manager)

If virtual RD support is required, the licensee must:

- Keep written record of actions and strategies implemented to meet on site requirement including the reason the exception is required
- It is important that the virtual RD can communicate with the staff of the home for nutrition assessments as needed. If needed, the licensee will ensure an RHP or other staff member such as a Nutrition Manager is available to collaborate with the RD working virtually.
- **On site Dietitian coverage is the standard. This exception should only be used temporarily and when on site coverage is not available.**
- Please refer to our OSNAC tools, resources & templates on our website to support this new process!